



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title: METHOD FOR PRODUCTION OF ACRYLIC ACID	:	Confirmation No.: 4596
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**AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.132**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 17, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: